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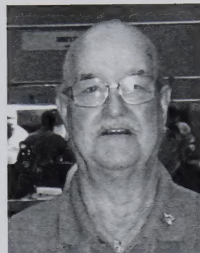
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Attn: Carrie Best

Next Bugle deadline: October 5, 2018

"My Thoughts"
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A very hardy WELCOME to all of the new members that have joined through the effort of Diane and Steve Austin, Sean Page and Mike Sprouse, to them I give my heart felt thanks. To the new members, I hope this club holds up to its' reputation and you will contribute to its growth.

Well the time is drawing near for our annual meeting at the PAN show in Monroeville, PA. At this time I know that several members who have never attended our club meeting are planning to attend for the first time and several new members are planning to attend also.

Plans are to hold a board meeting on Friday at 1 PM and the annual meeting to be held from 2:30 to 5 PM. Ed Lantz has arranged for a club table and separate meeting room so we will not have interference from the show, thanks Ed for all of your efforts.

Sales for the annual club bar/round went well and the club should make some profit. If you did not pre-order your club round some additional rounds will be available (at a higher price) at the annual meeting. Contact the Sec/Tres for further details.

With regrets Michelle Burke has decided not to rerun for the trustee position for 2019-2020, however, all four remaining trustees (Bill Doty, Bruce Holland, Mike Sprouse, and Walter Thomas) have accepted to rerun. Sean Page, a fairly new member who was the winner of the club round design for 2018 has applied, and as there are only five who are running NO election will be necessary. These trustees will be sworn in at the PAN annual meeting. Thank you Michelle for your contributions to the club and your input was always helpful.

Now onto the upcoming 2019 annual meeting to be held in conjunction with the 64th Annual Florida United Numismatists (FUN) Convention held in Orlando, FL, Jan 10-13. This show is one of the first shows in the new year and has over 600 dealers and over 10,000 public attendees. FUN is gracious to provide us with a FREE club table and meeting room, so I believe this is a WIN WIN situation. So at this time make your plans to attend and enjoy some nice Florida winter weather.

Guess that is all for this issue so put your thinking hat on and enter the annual bar contest for the 2019 annual meeting. Details are on page 11.

Have a great remaing summer and hope to see many of you at the PAN show in September.

Jim

VP Outlook

by Randy Rush



Hello everyone,

I hope this issue of the Bugle finds you in good health and hopefully staying cool! It has been hot and extremely humid in Georgia! I guess this is why they call it the "Dog Daze" of Summer.

I want to express a sincere thank you to trustee and long time member Walter Thomas for sending in pictures of some neat bars in his collection. The Ore Cart is on my want list, maybe someday!

Also a very special thank you to Steve Austin for doing his membership drive. I don't know the exact number that signed up as new members, but I do know Steve and Diane gave some really nice prize bars out of their collection in a random drawing to 3 of the new members. Thank you both for doing that!

Remember our "Price of Silver Contest". Your guess must be received or postmarked no later than August 17th. We will be awarding 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes for that as well. *These are new dates*

I would like to extend a hearty welcome to all of our new members. Welcome!! I hope you will get involved and enjoy your club by sending in an article, or picture of your favorite bar or round from your collection. Feel free to ask questions. Our club has the most knowledgeable people in this hobby!

I look forward to seeing you all in Monroeville. My plan right now is to be there. Remember we will have an auction after our meeting, and a swap meet too. So bring interesting bars and rounds that you want to sell or trade. Please say a prayer for our service men and women, and their families who sacrifice so much. Be safe in your travels!

Happy Hunting!!
Take care and God Bless You All,

rush188@windstream.net, or call : 706-766-2335.

Randy

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to IASAC

Johnny Pryor -- Nashville, TN
Michael Montgomery -- Brethren, MI
Jason Benning -- Alberta, Canada
Tom O'Connor -- Woodlawn, TN
Jay Ward -- Philadelphia, TN
Dennis Hamilton -- Nederland, TX
Travis Laeding -- Kansas City, MO
Chad Farris -- Bartlesville, OK
Joel Shartzter -- Brownsburg, IN
Justin Johnson -- Cartersville, IL
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**2019 Club Meeting
will be held in conjunction with
the FUN Coin Show January 10-13
in Orlando, Florida.**

**Rules for the 2019 Silver
Convention issue is on page 11.
Put on your thinking caps for 2019.**

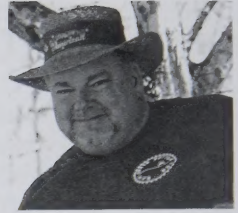
*Misprint in last Bugle on page 17 at the bottom of the page
some of the article was deleted somehow. I apologize for
that. Here is the missing wording.*

***"At the time the pieces were launched in late June 1982,
the spot price of silver was about \$5.35 per ounce."***

I truly apologize to Dave. Thanks for an interesting article
Dave. We look forward to more articles from you.



...for the funny bone by Randy Rush



Some pretty good 1 liners.....

1. I went on a once in a lifetime holiday. Never again.
2. "This is your captain speaking, AND THIS IS YOUR CAPTAIN SHOUTING."
3. I told my doctor that I broke my arm in two places. He told me to stop going to those places.
4. Atheism is a non-prophet organization
5. What do you call it when Batman skips church? Christian Bale.
6. It takes a lot of balls to golf like me.
7. There's no "I" in Denial.
8. What's the best thing about Switzerland? I don't know, but their flag is a huge plus.
9. A Buddhist walks up to a hotdog stand and says, "Make me one with everything."
10. A plateau is the highest form of flattery.
11. It's hard to explain puns to kleptomaniacs because they always take things literally.
12. Time flies like an arrow, fruit flies like a banana.
13. The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on the list.
14. Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening', and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
15. How do you keep an idiot in suspense?
16. What's E.T. short for? Because he's only got little legs.
17. "I stand corrected," said the man in the orthopedic shoes.
18. I'm addicted to brake fluid, but I can stop whenever I want.
19. God must love stupid people. He made SO many.
20. Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back.
21. I didn't say it was your fault. I said I was blaming you.
22. We have enough gun control. What we need is idiot control.
23. War does not determine who is right. It determines who is left.
24. I used to be addicted to soap, but I'm clean now.
25. Two penguins walk into a bar... which is stupid because the second one should have seen it.

Until next time....

Randy



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Silver Art Collector is an online collection manager and research database for all those in the silver art collecting hobby. It is free to use and growing daily. We have a forum for community discussion and invite you to stop by and introduce yourself. Silver Art Collector is designed and run by collectors for collectors. We are members of IASAC and work closely with mint owners, collectors, authors and others in the hobby to grow and spread the word of silver art collecting to the internet.

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Five Trustee Vacancies Five Members running. No Election Necessary

SEAN PAGE



I recently joined the IASAC a few years back; however, I have been in the hobby collecting/trading/selling vintage bars and rounds for around 10 years. I started collecting coins and currency at a young age, and would attend coin shows with my parents every now and again. Around 10 years ago, I came across an International Silver Ingot Corp (ISIC) UFO bar in a coin shop, and was infatuated by the design, and knowing it was minted over 30 years prior and survived the big melting in the 1980's. After purchasing the bar, I acquired the Kidd 5th Edition book, and began collecting the mints that caught my eye. While I've been through many phases, my favorite mints that I still collect currently are ISIC, USSC, and Death Valley Mint. With my strong passion for silver art and the hobby, in late-2016 I began minting my own bars under the name STL Mint. Since then, we have released 15 designs to a dedicated core of collectors. I'm an admin of the Silver Art Collector (SAC) website, and Tony Crouch's right hand man for a variety of items.

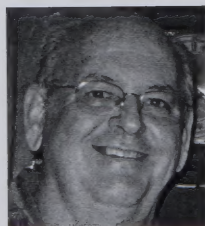
On a personal level, I'm a married father of two little angels - Lailah (4) and Bryce (2). I am from St Louis, MO, but currently live in Kansas City, MO working as an Operations Director at Kansas City Southern Railway. I'm in my early 30's, and believe I can be a huge help to the IASAC Trustees in a variety of facets, as I'm tech savvy and always have a can do attitude. I'd be willing to help out wherever I can to keep the IASAC up and running for many, many more years down the road.

I greatly appreciate the opportunity to put my name in the hat.

Respectfully,
Sean W Page

WILLIAM DOTY

I started collecting silver art bars about 20 years ago after seeing them on ebay. I watched a person pay \$60.00 for a \$30.00 piece of silver and wondered why a person would do that. My inquisitive mind got me to researching silver art bars. Then I started to go to pawn shops and buying them at spot silver price. I now have over 1,500 different bars and over 150 that I can not find in any of the catalogs. After meeting Archie Kidd he talked me into making some of my own bars under the name "CRAFTS by DOTY". I have a series called "WAKE UP AMERICA". Another reason I collect silver is it will always have a value unlike all the trinkets most people collect.



William Doty

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Brain Teaser

Hope everyone enjoyed working the last puzzle. If you have any comments you can send them via email to IASACBugle@aol.com. HAVE FUN!!! Carlton has *(starred) some of the restaurants. These are all items having to do with Monroeville/Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Enjoy!

For your challenge this month, find these words relating to:

"September Convention in Monroeville" Please find:

Andy Warhol, Banquet, Carnegie, Clayton, Club Cafe, Dad's Pub*, DeLuca's, Eighty Acres*, Green Mango*, Hard Rock Cafe*, Hartwood, Hiking, Kaya, Kennywood, King's*, Lakes, Lava Lounge, Mellon, Museums, Phipps, Pirates, PNC Park, Point State Park, Rudy's Sub's*, Steelers, Strip District, Tour, Trails, Wholey's, Zoo

Is there any word that appears twice? _____

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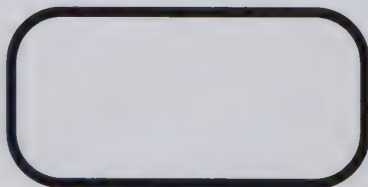
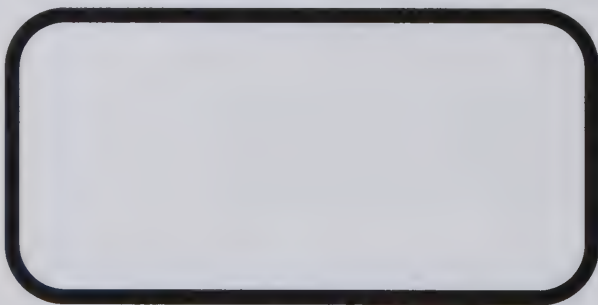
Rules for the 2019 Silver Convention Issue.

Submissions must be **postmarked no later than Sept. 1, 2018**
or emailed to Ed by Sept 1, 2018.

Show details are on page 5.

1. 2019 is a rectangle
2. All paid members are eligible to submit one entry including officers and trustees.
3. Only the designated chair of the convention issue committee will know who submitted the entry.
4. The chair of the committee with the board's permission can alter the design to enhance the winning entry.
5. Entries may be voided if the entry has a licensed picture on it that we cannot get permission to use.
6. Ideas may be submitted without an actual drawing. In other words, you can cut and paste your ideas.
7. The entries may be emailed or mailed to the chair.
8. The year and convention location must be included on your art work entry.
9. All of the approved entries will be submitted to the officers and trustees for their vote. The two entries with the most votes will be voted on to determine the winning entry.
10. The winner will be presented the silver issue with serial number 000 at the convention.

2019 Chairman is Ed Lantz @
5087 Minnis Rd
Springfield, TN 37172
edlantz2001@yahoo.com



Actual Size

Design of rectangle must fit into a 1 ounce rectangle 1" by 2" approx.
Be sure to include your name and membership number, full address, email, and phone number
A description of what your bar depicts should be with your submission.

FROM THE BEGINNING XVI

By Ed Lantz

March, 1991 Silver Bugle

Silver hit a 17 year low. (Steve Rood did not mention the price but it was around \$3.62 at the time he would have written his article)

Richard Nelson of the Money company and Eddie Karn of Alco Distributors are going to include IASAC club member ads in their overseas promotions.



Duane Spellman wished Steve Rood a Happy President's day and included a picture of Steve on a Madison Mint President series silver bar.

This is the brain teaser that was in that issue:

1. Two men are playing checkers. They play 5 games and each man wins the same number of games. How can that be?
2. Take two apples from three apples and what do you have?
3. A woman gives a beggar 50 cents. The woman is the beggar's sister. The beggar is not the woman's brother. How come?
4. Is it legal in North Carolina for a man to marry his widow's sister?
5. You're the pilot of a United plane flying the 340 miles from Chicago to Cleveland in exactly one hour. Engine trouble develops and the plane lands at Toledo-240 miles. What's the pilot's name?
6. What word is misspelled in this brain teaser?

The year of the Hubble Space Telescope was issued by the Redwood Empire Coin Club in 1990. Issue price was \$20 and the mintage was 100.

"Silvertips" Ingots had 9 different Coke Bars available for sale at \$22 each. May Madison Mint bars were listed at \$10 each.

The Money Company had the centerfold ad listing the Dr. Peeper's 12 month Physical Fitness Program adult bars listed for \$325. Mintage was 100 sets and only sold by the set. There were 33 sets available at the ad deadline. They also advertised the Iraqi Mobile Missile Launcher (rectangle) and the Uncle Sam-Saddam-ized Hussein Round.

11 pages out of the 24 page Silver Bugle were ads!

Answers:

1. They were not playing each other
2. Two apples
3. The beggar is the woman's sister
4. If the man has a widow, he is dead and cannot marry anyone.
5. You're the pilot.
6. Misspelled

-- Ed

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IASACBugle@aol.com

TRUSTEES

(Continued from page 9)

BRUCE HOLLAND



I am Bruce Holland and I would like to serve as trustee for the IASAC. I have been a member since 2009. So far I have attended six annual meetings since I joined and have plans to attend this year in Monroeville PA. I have been collecting art bar and rounds since 2008, I didn't realize how many different bars there were until

I purchased a copy of the Price Guide published by Archie Kidd, then it became an obsession to find as many of the bars in the book as possible that I could afford. I hope I didn't make too many enemy's sniping them on EBAY in the beginning. I have a descent collection of Canadian coins, Pandas, US coin sets, and African lions.

My wife Pam and I have been married for 35 years. We have two sons, Adam and his wife Amanda, and Allen whom has been in the NAVY for the past 8 years and is hopefully soon to be home from Japan. I've been in the Electrical field for over 35 years, and am currently employed by Lipton Tea. I am a member of the Holland Baptist Church, I am a fair weather Harley rider and I am currently in the process of becoming a Mason.

I will do my best as Trustee to help keep our club moving forward and continue growing.

WALTER THOMAS

Hi All,

I'm Walter Thomas, running for reelection as trustee. I've been a member of IASAC since 1985 and a trustee for 15 of those years. I also have attended most of the IASAC conventions. I collect rounds, bars and odd shaped silver. I plan on going to PA and also God willing to Orlando and Las Vegas in the near future.



MIKE SPROUSE



I have been a coin collector since I was 12. I started collecting art bars in 1980 and joined IASAC in 1986. In that same year, I opened my coin shop in Cape Girardeau, Mo. I developed my website in 1999 and currently have the largest selection of silver bars, rounds and sets available online. It has been a labor

of love. My wife, Debbie and I have 2 children, Jessica and Shane. Shane has joined me in my business and has become a silver collector also. I am proud to serve as a Trustee of IASAC.

Greetings IASACers,

Before you know it the PAN Coin Show (Pennsylvania Association of Numismatics) will be here. Show information, a list of some of the hotels and local attractions are below.



Wednesday - Saturday, September 13,14,15, 2019.
Monroeville Convention Center 412-373-7300, 209
Mall Blvd. Monroeville, PA.

The Host hotel is the Doubletree (next door to the convention center)
412-373-7300.

Some other hotels to consider: Red Roof Inn • Hampton Inn •
Residence Inn • Comfort Inn • Courtyard Marriott

The U.S. Mint will be in attendance at this show.

PAN offers a kids program as part of the coin show. Great fun for
youngsters.

Here are **activities** to take a look at in the Monroeville / Pitts-
burgh area.

Things to do here are only suggestions as I'm sure you'll discover your
own fun finds.

- Carnegie Museum of Natural History.
- Carnegie Museum of Art
- Carnegie Science Center
- Pittsburgh Zoo
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Duquesne Incline and Funicular Railway
- Strip District dining and shops
- Point State Park
- Arsenal Cider House
- Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens
- Schenley Park
- Cathedral of Learning
- Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area
- Escape Room Pittsburgh
- Zombieburgh Lazer Tag

Enjoy!

Michelle Burke



Members
meeting up with
other members at
shows across
America
SummerFUN
GNA



IASAC is Going to Pittsburgh September 13-14, 2018

Monroeville Convention Center
RTE 22 off Pittsburgh Exit #57
Pennsylvania Turnpike
209 Mall BLVD
Monroeville, PA 15146

DoubleTree by Hilton

412-373-7300

Est. \$105.00



Members, let's have a
record turn out for this
meeting. Lot's to see in
this area. Have fun
hunting for silver bars
and rounds.



Price of Silver Contest



Send in your guess for the price of silver!!

Entries must be received, or Postmarked no later than August 17, 2018. Price of silver will be taken August 31, 2018 at close of business day. Only 1 guess per membership number. Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place closest guess!!

Your Name: _____

Membership # _____

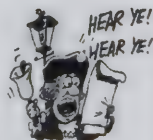
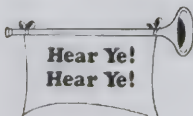
Price of Silver Guess \$____.____ Per Oz.

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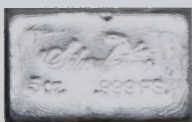
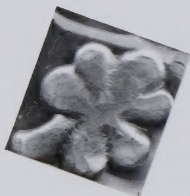
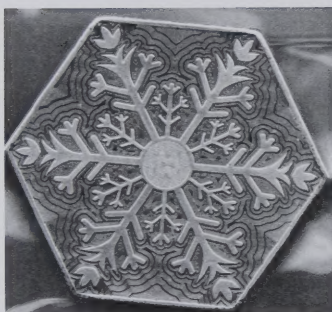
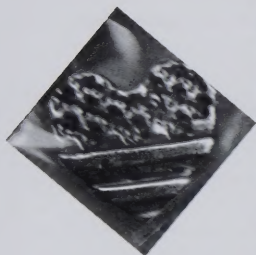
Randy Rush

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**Do you have any of these?
Some different shapes
and sizes
to collect and have!**



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

International Association of Silver Art Collectors

The International Association of Silver Art Collectors (IASAC), established in 1985, is dedicated to the silver art bar and round hobbyist, collector, dealer and producer. All persons interested in this unique hobby are invited to join. The club regularly publishes the newsletter *The Silver Bugle*, providing some of the most interesting reading for you, the member. Not only do you receive advanced notice of new rounds and bars, you may also take advantage of specials offered by the many IASAC member-dealers. We also produce limited edition silver bars and rounds for our members and feature special contests for prizes. Isn't it time for you to take advantage of the benefits available as a member of IASAC?

I would like to become a member of the largest silver art club in the world, please enroll me today!

Please Print

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP+4: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **OCCUPATION:** _____

By accepting membership in IASAC, I agree to abide by the bylaws of the club and to act with integrity in all business transactions.

SIGNATURE: _____

REFERRED BY: _____

My Email is: _____ ☐ May we publish your email?

Junior members, age 17 and younger are also welcomed, with permission of their parent or guardian. Junior members do not have voting rights and dues are half that of regular members.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

Send check or money order

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Dues are \$20 the first year; renewals are \$15/year;

International rates are \$30 first year; renewals are \$20/year.

Life membership is \$300.00. International-Life is \$400.00

Junior Membership \$7.60, International Jr. Membership \$10.00

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IASAC has some older club rounds and bars still for sale!

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Store items can be found on our website!

IASAC Treasury Update

Balance Forwarded \$10,155.03

Income:

Dues	640.00
2018 Round Sales	3228.50
Donations	30.12
Store Sales	<u>530.00</u>
	\$ 4428.62

\$14,583.65

Expenses:

Paypal fees	21.78
Publishing <i>Silver Bugle</i>	323.37
SilverTowne 2018 Rounds die	850.00
Postage/off supply/domain	<u>231.79</u>
	\$ 1426.94

Ending Balance as of July 12, 2018 \$13,156.71

Carrie Best ♦♦Treasurer/Secretary

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Membership Renewal

I would like to continue supporting the
International Association of Silver Art Collectors

Enclosed is a personal check or money order made payable to
International Association of Silver Art Collectors

Life membership is \$300.00

Dues Annual Rate: \$15/Domestic, \$20/International
1/2 (\$) Junior aged 17 and under

Name: _____ IASAC # _____

_____ check here if you want a new membership card, and send a SASE.

No. years _____ X \$ _____ dues = \$ _____ total due

_____ I would like to change my membership to a lifetime
membership, enclosed is my \$300.00.

my email address: _____
(circle this if you do not want your email published)

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